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In re Application of

Customer Number: 49745

Qixu (David) CHEN, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1773

Examiner: RICKMAN, Holly C.

For: PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIA WITH IMPROVED

CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC ORIENTATIONS AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Noting the Office Action of December 23, 2004 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-18) with traverse for prosecution in the aboveidentified application.

Upon the allowance of any magnetic recording medium claim (Group I), Applicants request the rejoinder of the method of making a magnetic recording medium claims (Group II) in accordance with the rejoinder provisions of MPEP § 821.04.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including

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extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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